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Applicant : Nobuaki ABE

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For : IMAGE COMPRESSION AND EXPANSION APPARATUS AND  
PIXEL NUMBER INCREASING APPARATUS

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on January 27, 2001, in which the three month shortened statutory period for responding runs to April 28, 2003 (April 27, 2003 being a Sunday), reconsideration and allowance of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims in the manner indicated below. A marked up copy of the claims is attached hereto as "APPENDIX A - MARKED UP CLAIMS".

Please amend claim 11, as follows:

11 (Amended). A pixel number increasing apparatus, comprising:

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